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HE SAYS HE'S NEVER
BEEN HURT YET!





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CLARINET HARMONET

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A REAL MUSICAL INSTRUMENT YOU PLAY DURING THE VERY FIRST LESSON!

The amazing part of the CLARINET HARMONET is that it is a genuine musical instrument... yet, you can play it during the very first lesson even if you have had no previous musical knowledge. More surprising is the fun and popularity that will follow you when you play this CLARINET HARMONET. You will be sought everywhere and groups and groups will want you to play with them. A tonic for happiness, a companion to spare any time that now seems to hang heavy when you are alone... you'll play real music... real songs and you will play by ear or from notes. The CLARINET HARMONET is actually played and not hummed through, but it is so easy to master, you will be surprised. When you've mastered this instrument, you've learned the basic fingering of the saxophone, Clarinet and Flute.

JUST REMEMBER THE TWO WORDS "BAG" AND "FED"—THAT EASY

Sounds simple, doesn't it? And it is! We have worked out a course of instructions to sample that even if you never could read a note of music before, you will play the CLARINET HARMONET correctly from music. With this copyrighted feature, you just remember two simple words, which are "BAG" and "FED". If you know the alphabet from A to Z, or can count from 1 to 7, and we are sure you do, you can play the CLARINET HARMONET. You master the fingering of the notes by a simplified number system. Before you know it, your CLARINET HARMONET produces full-size musical notes... all sharps and flats are playable so as to bring out professional-like musical melodies. Thousands of songs, including patriotic, popular or instrumental pieces can be played easily and quickly by following the simple fast-moving instructions. You begin your first lesson by playing the patriotic song "America," and after a few moments of learning the fingering you can go on from there playing any popular play tune... we also show you how to mark notes for every CLARINET HARMONET player. Everything is included. It's fast and portable. There is nothing else to buy but ACT AT ONCE because this offer is LIMITED.

5 DAYS FREE TRIAL

You don't risk a single cent... no indeed! We are positive you will be satisfied. We are confident you will never part with this CLARINET HARMONET for double the price... order yours today and try it for 5 days and if you are not 100% delighted, but we are sure you will be return it and we will refund you \$1.50 at once.

SO easy to play well!

You can play the HARMONET IN EASY, IN EDUCATIONAL, IN FUN.

Why many music educators prefer the HARMONET

- * The HARMONET is educational, with a two octave range.
- * The HARMONET is played with a thumb and like that of the clarinet and saxophone.
- * The HARMONET fits riders between the fingers to guide the fingers in finding and covering the holes.
- * The HARMONET holes are clearly and evenly spaced so that even a child can reach them.
- * The HARMONET, mouthpiece is adjustable making it possible to use the instrument in the piano.
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- * The HARMONET is a "C" instrument and can be played with the piano.

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ALL OF THIS INCLUDED—ONLY

\$1.98

Here you will find listed all that is included with this amazing musical instrument value.

No. 1—You get a regular-sized CLARINET HARMONET.

No. 2—In addition, you also receive a full instruction course. This course is written in easy-to-understand language. It is fast-moving and not in the least bit complicated. It helps you to play quickly and correctly in a professional-like manner.

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Send no money!

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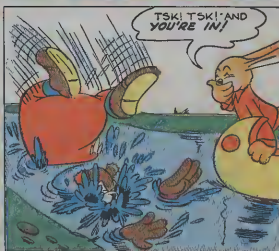
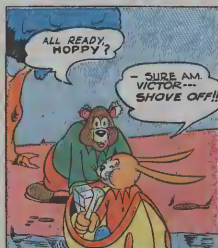
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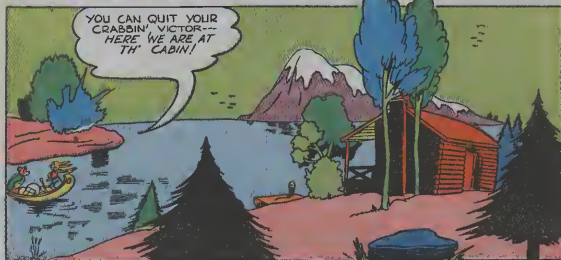
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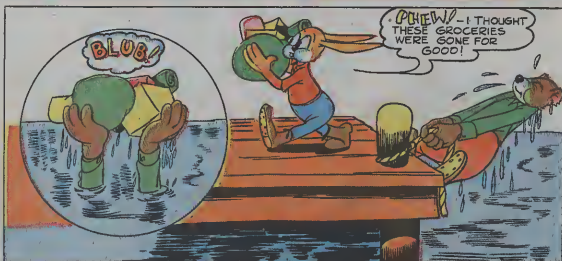
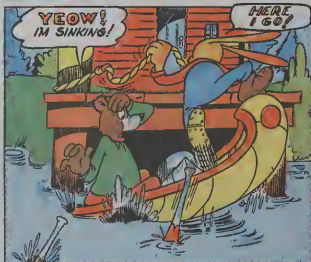
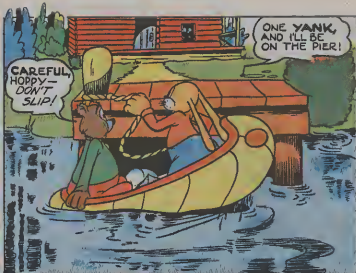
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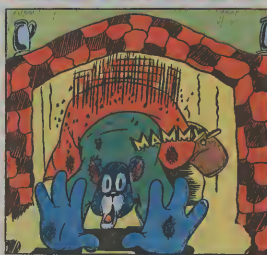
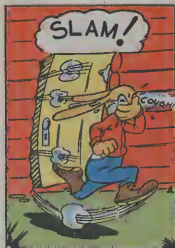
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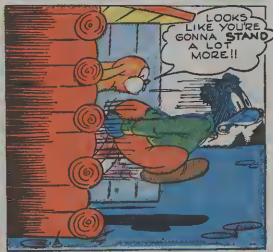
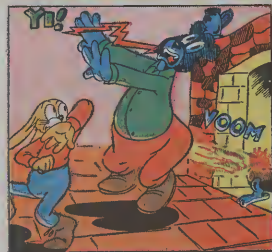
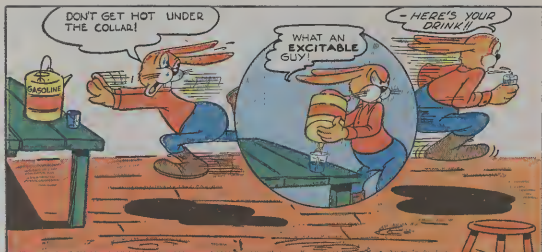


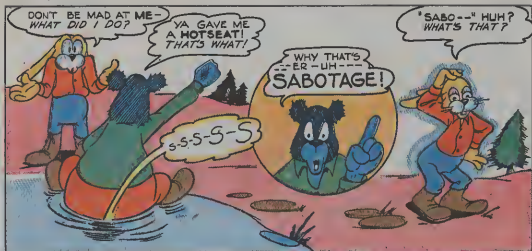


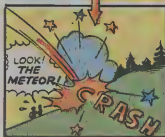
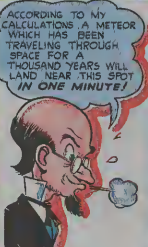
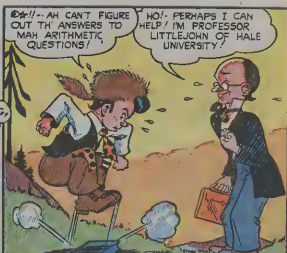
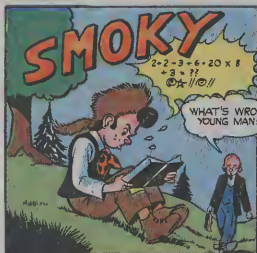




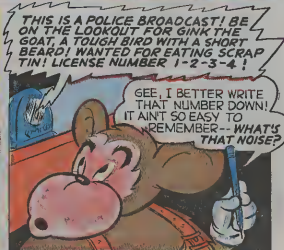
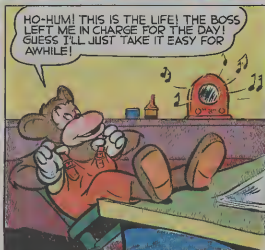
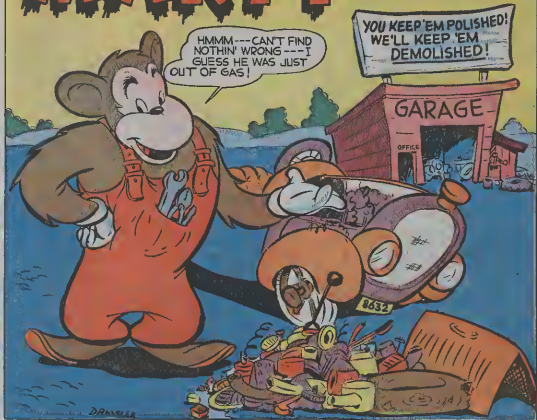








MARTY *The GREASE MONKEY*



GINK THE G-GOAT! A
SHORT BIRD WITH A TOUGH
BEARD! AND LICENCE NO. 1234!!!
I MUST STALL HIM OFF ---

SHAKE A LEG,
GREASEMONKEY!
GIMME A
ROAD MAP!

WHY, YOU DUMB
DODO!! THE WINDSHIELD
IS DOWN! GET ME THAT
ROAD MAP!

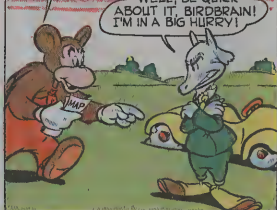
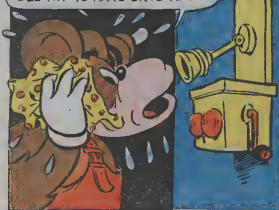
YESSIR, RIGHT AWAY!
W-W-WILL ANY
ROAD DO? I'LL BE RIGHT
BACK!



THAT'S RIGHT, CHIEF! HURRY UP
WILL YA? HE LOOKS TOUGH, BUT
I'LL TRY TO HANG ONTO HIM---

HERE'S YOUR MAP, SIR!
WAIT A MINUTE -- **THAT
TIRE NEEDS AIR!**

WELL, BE QUICK
ABOUT IT, BIRDBRAIN!
I'M IN A BIG HURRY!

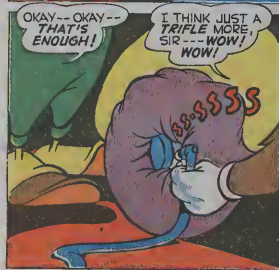


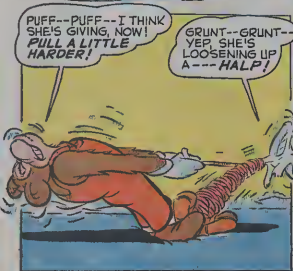
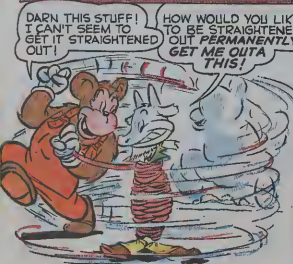
OKAY-- OKAY--
**THAT'S
ENOUGH!**

I THINK JUST A
TRIFLE MORE,
SIR --- **WOW!
WOW!**

**WHO PLANTED
THAT BOMB?
WHAT HIT ME?**

BELIEVE ME, SIR,
IT WAS AN
ACCIDENT!





SAY, IT'S LUCKY THAT
POOL STOPPED YOU!
COME INTO THE TAILOR'S
AND I'LL PRESS YOUR
SUIT, SIR!

ALL RIGHT, YA APE,
BUT I'M BEGINNIN'
TO THINK YOU'RE
ACTIN' **MIGHTY
SUSPICIOUS!**

NOW, IF YOU'LL JUST
GET IN THERE, I'LL
HAVE YOUR SUIT
PRESSED IN A
SECOND!

SOMETHING
TELLS ME
YOU AIN'T TO
BE TRUSTED!

**OUCH!
WHAT D'YA
THINK
YOU'RE
DOIN'?
LEMMÉ OUT!**

MY, BUT
I'M TRULY
SORRY! I
FORGOT--
YOU'RE
SUPPOSED
TO TAKE
YOUR SUIT OFF

I'M TRULY SORRY, SIR! IT WAS
MY ERROR! **PLEASE SIT
DOWN!**

LISTEN, PUNK, ARE
YOU ON THE LEVEL?
OR AM I GONNA
HAVE TA DEAL
WID YOU?

**OW-WWW! I'LL
HAVE YA HIDE
FA THIS!**

DON'T GET BURNED
UP! COME NEXT DOOR
AND I'LL FIX YA
UP A GOOD
DRINK!

WHERE ARE THOSE COPS?

THIS DRINK WILL MAKE
A NEW MAN OF YOU,
HONEST!

IF IT DOESN'T,
I'LL MAKE AN
**OLD MAN OF
YOU!** I'M TIRED
OF THIS RUN-
AROUND!

HELP! I'VE BEEN
POISONED! IT'S A
PLOT!

THERE, THERE! COOL
OFF! I MUST HAVE
TAKEN THE WRONG
BOTTLES! DON'T
WORRY, I'LL FIX
IT!

SIT DOWN AND
GET CALM, HUH?
WHERE?

WHY, RIGHT
THERE --
ON THAT
BARREL!

FLOUR

OOOPS, SORRY! I
THOUGHT THAT BARREL
HAD A COVER!

YA SHKUNK!
WAIT'LL I
GET OUTTA
THIS! GIMME
A HAND!

JUST A SECOND,
SIR, AND I'LL
DUST YOU OFF!

IF I HAD TIME, I'D
GIVE YOU A DUSTIN'
OFF, YA WORM! I'M
TAKIN' IT ON THE
LAM!

FLOUR

GOSH, THIS IS A
TOUGH DOOR TO
OPEN! DON'T WORRY,
THOUGH! I GOT
POWER!

PULL HARDER,
FA PETE'S SAKE!
I JUST GOTTA
GET OUT! PULL!

GEE--IT OPENED,
BUT ALL THOSE
CANS FELL ON
YOUR HEAD! ARE
YOU HURT?

NOTHIN' LIKE YOU'RE
GONNA BE IF YA
DON'T GET ME
OUT AWAY FROM HERE
FAST!

BANG!

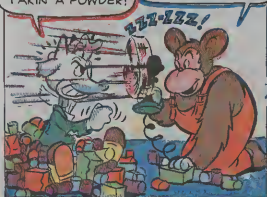
SWISH! BOMK!

TAKE THAT THING
AWAY FROM HERE!
TURN IT OFF! I'M
TAKIN' A POWDER!

JUST COOL OFF A
SECOND! LET ME
BRING IT CLOSER!

SHUT IT OFF!
STOP IT!
AAAAH-OOOH!

GEE, I WISH I
COULD REMEMBER
HOW!

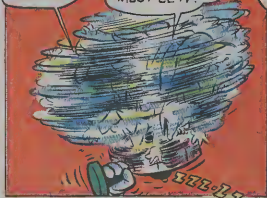


H-HELP!
I'LL BE
KILLED!

LOOKS LIKE I
PRESSED THE WRONG
BUTTON! THIS
MUST BE IT!

I'VE STOOD ENOUGH!
I'M GETTIN' OUT
FOR ONCE AND
FOR ALL! WHERE'S
THE DOOR?

(I HAVE IT!)
WELL, I'M
SORRY YOU'RE
LEAVING! THERE'S
THE DOOR, OVER
THERE!



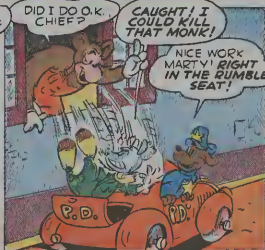
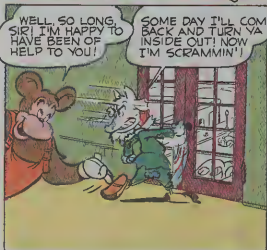
WELL, SO LONG,
SIR! I'M HAPPY TO
HAVE BEEN OF
HELP TO YOU!

SOME DAY I'LL COME
BACK AND TURN YA
INSIDE OUT! NOW
I'M SCRAMMIN'!

DID I DO O.K.,
CHIEF?

CAUGHT! I
COULD KILL
THAT MONK!

NICE WORK
MARTY! RIGHT
IN THE RUMBLE
SEAT!



SILAS SKINFLINT

ESQUIRE, OF GROUNDHOG-VILLE



GO ON ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS!
AND DON'T COME AROUND FOR
FOOD WHEN IT BECOMES SCARCE
THIS WINTER, EITHER! I WANT TO
BE LEFT ALONE - UNDERSTAND?



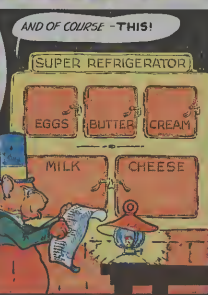
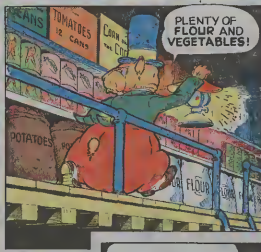
HE CAN'T GO ON
FOREVER, SHUTTING
HIMSELF OFF FROM
OTHER FOLKS!

SOME DAY HE'LL BE
MIGHTY GLAD TO
SEE FOLKS!



BAH! I DON'T NEED
OTHER FOLKS! I'M
SUFFICIENT UNTO
MYSELF!





LET'S SEE - I HAVE ENOUGH READING
MATTER AND GAMES TO WHILE AWAY
THE TIME! YEP! I'M ALL SET FOR
THE WINTER!



NO USE TO WAIT FOR THE FINAL
DAY TO HOLE UP! I'LL LOCK UP
NOW FOR THE WINTER AND
PHOOEY TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD!

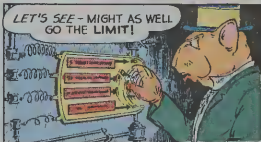


AND SO - OLD SI
IS GOING TO ADJUST
THE TIME-SETTING
DEVICE FOR HIS
AUTOMATIC STEEL
ENTRANCE DOOR -

ONCE ADJUSTED,
IT CANNOT BE
OPENED UNTIL
THE SET TIME -
WHEN IT WILL
OPEN
AUTOMATICALLY...

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LET'S SEE - MIGHT AS WELL
GO THE LIMIT!



½ YEAR STRAIGHT

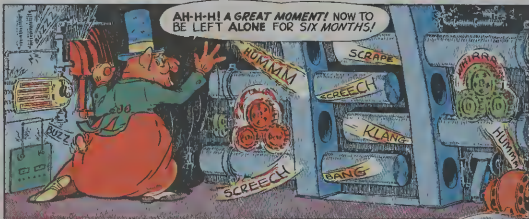
'TIL EARLY SPRING

'TIL END OF RAINY SEASON

'TIL SUNDOWN



AH-H-H! A GREAT MOMENT! NOW TO
BE LEFT ALONE FOR SIX MONTHS!

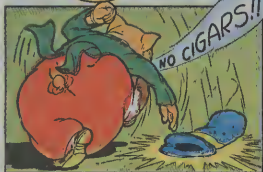
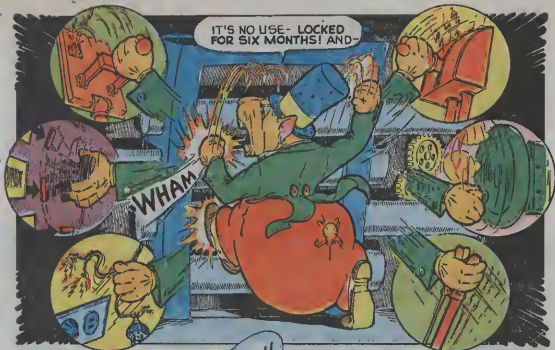


NOW FOR A PEACEFUL CIGAR
AND A GOOD BOOK!



CIGARS!
I FORGOT MY CIGARS!





ALWAYS PUT OUT THE LIGHT
WHEN FILLING!



I GUESS *THAT'S* ENOUGH
KEROSENE!

GURGLE
GURGLE
GURGLE
GURGLE

NOW TO LIGHT IT AND
EV'RYTHING WILL BE
ALRIGHT AGAIN!



OH-H-H! NO CIGARS - AND -
NOW NO LIGHTS!

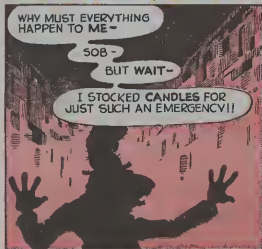


WHY MUST EVERYTHING
HAPPEN TO ME -

SOB -

BUT WAIT -

I STOCKED CANDLES FOR
JUST SUCH AN EMERGENCY!!



NOW, WHERE ARE THOSE CANDLES?



I'VE JUST GOT TO FIND THEM!



MAYBE THEY'RE UP HERE!



OH! TARNATION, ANYWAY!



I'LL FIND THEM IF I HAVE TO PULL EVERYTHING—



OH-H-H, DEAR!— THE WORLD SEEMS TO BE CRASHING DOWN ON MY— O-U-CH!



BOO-HOO! LOCKED IN FOR SIX LONG MONTHS- NO LIGHTS- FOOD SPOILED- OH-H-H- BOO-HOO!



EXHAUSTED PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY, SILAS FALLS INTO A DEEP SLUMBER RIGHT IN THE MIDST OF THE MESS--

AND-- UNNOTICED BY HIM--

--OLD MAN WINTER CAME TO "GROUNDHOG-VILLE" WITH ALL HIS MIGHT--



MEANWHILE THE REST OF THE CITIZENS OF GROUNDHOG VILLE ARE HOLDING A MEETING---



---WE'VE POOLED ALL OUR RESOURCES BUT IF IT TURNS OUT TO BE A LONG WINTER THEY'LL NEVER LAST!

WE CAN'T GET THE WEATHER REPORTS! THE RADIO DOESN'T WORK!

THEN ONE OF US WILL HAVE TO VOLUNTEER TO GO OUT AND SEE IF HE CAN SEE HIS SHADOW!



LISTEN! THERE'S A CRY FOR HELP!

IT'S COMING FROM OLD SKINFLINT'S PLACE!

PROBABLY ATE TOO MUCH AND CAN'T GET OFF HIS CHAIR!

BUT WE'LL HAVE TO HELP HIM!

BREAK THROUGH THAT WALL!



WE'RE ALMOST THERE, NOW!



THE POOR MAN'S FROZEN!

WE'LL HAVE YOU ALRIGHT AGAIN IN A JIFFY!



YOU GOOD FOLKS WERE
RIGHT! A MAN CAN'T LIVE
ALONE! AND TO SHOW MY
APPRECIATION - *THE PLACE IS YOURS!*

HURRAY
FOR SILAS!

LONG LIVE SILAS!

CITIZENS OF GROUNDHOG-VILLE! THIS IS
THE LAST DAY OF OUR WINTER CONFINEMENT-
WE JUST NOW RECEIVED A REPORT
FROM

THIS IS A GRAND
OLD WORLD AFTER ALL!

E.F.T.S.

Ellie FANT

AIR RAID WARDEN

BY BILL AND TED HUDSON

WHAT A WONDERFUL IDEA!
MAYBE I'LL BE A
HEROINE! TEE-HEE-HEE!

PROTECT YOUR
FRIENDS AND
FAMILY!
JOIN
THE
AIR WARDEN
SERVICE!
SIGN UP NOW!

WHAT COULD THE AIR WARDEN
SERVICE DO WITH A FAT
THING LIKE YOU, DEARIE?
YOU'D MAKE THE BEST BOMB
TARGET IN THE CITY!

YOU AREN'T ANY
GAZELLE YOURSELF,
YOU-- YOU HIPPO!
TEE-HEE!

HERE YOU ARE,
ELLA! DO YOUR
DUTY FOR
UNCLE SAM!

I HAVEN'T
GOT ANY
UNCLES!
TEE-HEE!

UNCLE SAM
MEANS THE
UNITED STATES--
YOU IGNO--
IGNO--
IGNORANIMUS!

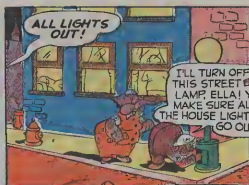
SIGN
UP HERE

THE SIREN! IT'S
A BLACKOUT!
EVERBODY TO
YOUR POSTS!

WOOOOOOOOOOO



HEY! WAIT FOR ME!
I CAN'T RUN SO FAST!
THERE'S MORE OF
ME TO GET
STARTED!



ALL LIGHTS
OUT!

I'LL TURN OFF
THIS STREET
LAMP ELLA! YOU
MAKE SURE ALL
THE HOUSE LIGHTS
GO OUT!



OH, DEAR-- THAT
LIGHT! TEE-HEE!
IT'S ALL SO
EXCITING!



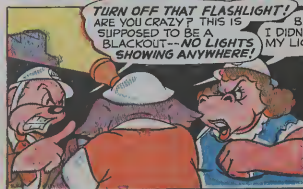
PUT OUT THAT--
OOF! IT'S ALL
SO HUMILIATING!



OH, DEAR-- I MUST
LOOK AWFULLY
SILLY! TEE-HEE!
WHAT'S THAT?



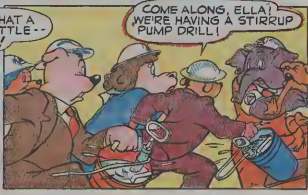
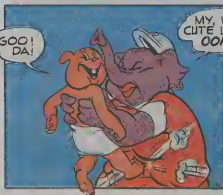
AN AIRPLANE!
I WONDER---



TURN OFF THAT FLASHLIGHT!
ARE YOU CRAZY? THIS IS
SUPPOSED TO BE A
BLACKOUT-- NO LIGHTS
SHOWING ANYWHERE!

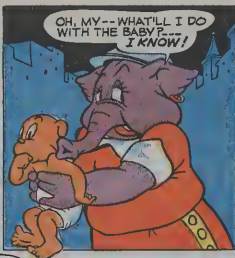
BUT IF
I DIDN'T FLASH
MY LIGHT ON IT--







HURRY UP, YOU SLOWPOKE!
GET ON ONE OF THESE
PUMPS -- **QUICK!**



OH, MY--WHAT'LL I DO
WITH THE BABY?--
I KNOW!



THERE!
NOW I CAN
PUMP!

WAH! WAH!
WAH!



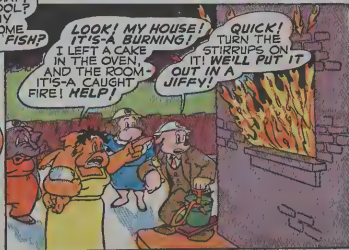
WHAT'S SHE DO--
THAT CRAZY--?
OH, MY POOR
BAMBINO!



COME TO MAMA,
BAMBINO MIO! THEY
TRY TO KILL-A YOU!

OH, DEAR--I
GUESS I'LL
NEVER MAKE
A GOOD WARDEN!
TEE-HEE!

WHAT'S-A DA MAT!
YOU CRAZY FOOL?
YOU THINK MY
BAMBINO SOME
KIND OF A-A FISH?



LOOK! MY HOUSE!
IT'S-A BURNING!
I LEFT A CAKE
IN THE OVEN,
AND THE ROOM--
IT'S-A CAUGHT
FIRE! **HELP!**

QUICK!
TURN THE
STIRRUPS ON
IT! **WE'LL PUT IT
OUT IN A
JIFFY!**

SOME MOMENTS LATER ---

WE'RE NOT GETTING ANYWHERE
AT ALL--- TOO MUCH SPRAY
AND NOT ENOUGH FORCE!
I GUESS WE'LL HAVE
TO GIVE IT UP!



GIVE IT UP? NONSENSE!
LET'S SEE WHAT
I CAN DO!



A DEEP BREATH, AND ---A POWERFUL STREAM OF WATER!



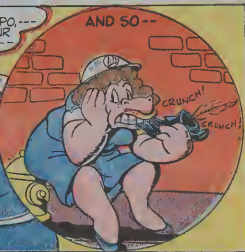
SHE DID IT!
ELLA PUT OUT
THE FIRE!



HOORAY FOR ELLA!
'RAY!
ELLA'S A HEROINE!

WELL, HILDA HIPPO, ---
REMEMBER YOUR
PROMISE ---

AND SO --



THE LION AND THE GNAT

A JUNGLE KING STORY by KEN LEEDS



LONG, long ago, when the Lion was really King of Beasts, he began to grow very cruel and harsh. He expected every animal to do his bidding without the slightest question or protest. When an animal came to see him, the Lion insisted on being bowed to several times, and he had to be called "Sire"! If any animal failed to show proper respect in the smallest possible detail, King Leo ordered him executed!

One day Frankie Fox decided they had all stood for enough of this. He called a conference.

"What can we do to make the King realize that there are such things as justice and mercy?" Frankie asked, looking expectantly from face to face.

"None of us is strong enough to fight him!" said Wilberforce Wolf.

"And there isn't enough wisdom in the wise Owl to reason with him," added Lincoln Leopard.

They thought and thought. Finally, Frankie Fox offered a suggestion. "Since we can't convince him either by force or reason, there is only one course left—*trickery*! And I think I know how we can do it! We can make the Lion look so foolish, he'll never act like a tyrant again!"

The next day the Fox went to King Leo's cave and entered humbly. Bowing five times, he said, "Sire, I have come to report that

there is one of your subjects who has shown complete disrespect for you! He will not bow to you, he will not address you as 'Sire', and he will not obey you even in the slightest matter!"

With a ferocious roar, the King leaped to his feet. "Who is it that dares to scorn my power?" he demanded.

"A gnat, Sire," Frankie Fox replied, and released the little insect he held in his paw! Then he withdrew.

The gnat rose in the air, circled the cave, and then made for the Lion's tawny mane.

The King swung his great paw at it angrily—and missed! The gnat settled comfortably on his neck and began to burrow under the Lion's mane. Roaring furiously, the King slapped at it again—and gashed his neck!

The gnat flew clear and buzzed around the Lion's head. Another mighty swipe missed its goal—but almost crushed King Leo's nose!

By the time the tiny creature decided to leave, the King was a mass of cuts and bruises—and he hadn't once touched his tormentor!

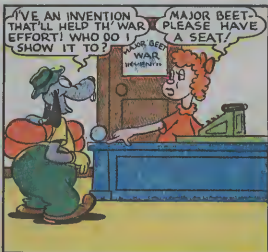
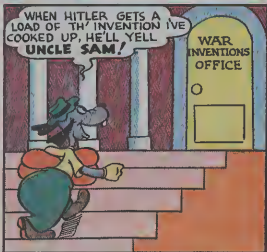
After his unfortunate encounter with the gnat, the other animals of the jungle noticed a considerable change in the attitude of the Lion. He never again seemed to think it so important to demand fawning respect from his subjects. He allowed them to live their own lives as they saw fit—and once more peace and happiness reigned in the jungle!

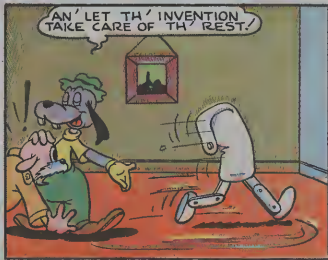
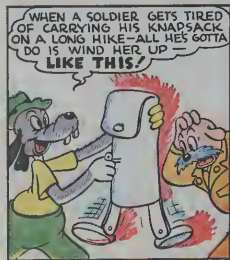
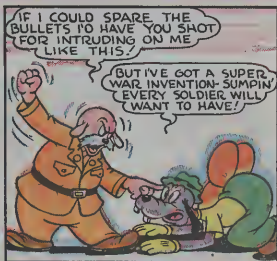
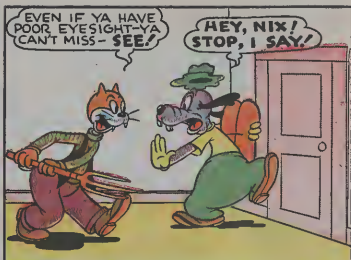


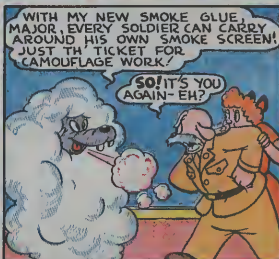
IT TOOK A FOX AND A GNAT TO PUT KING LEO IN HIS PLACE!

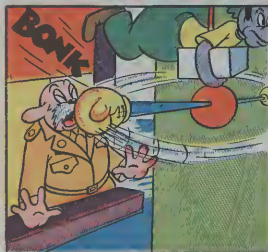
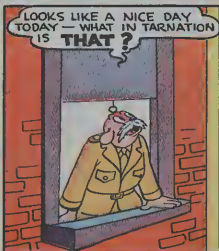
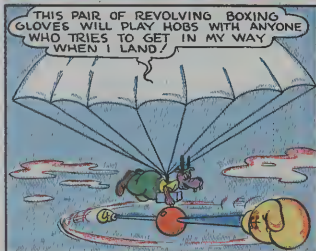
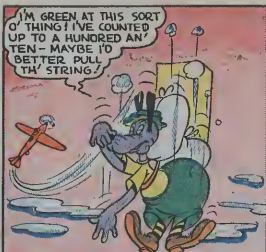
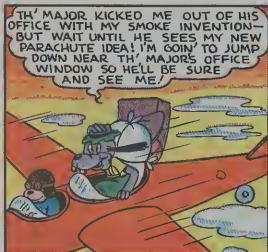
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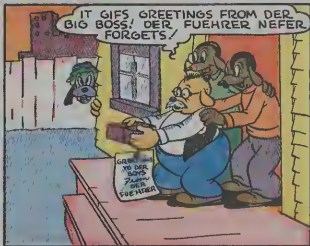
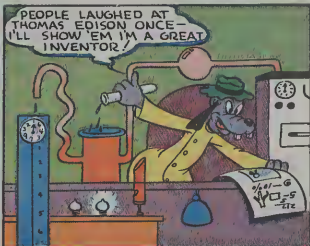
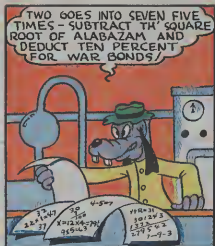
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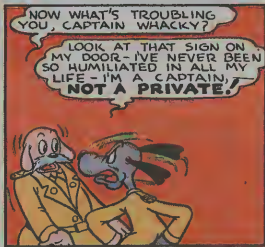
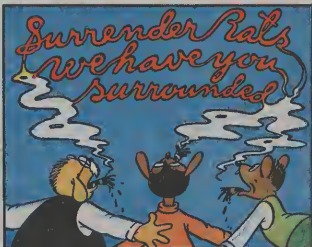










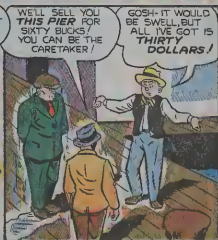


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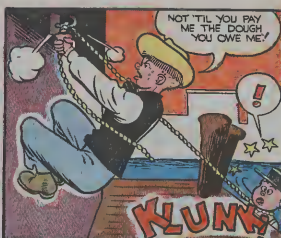
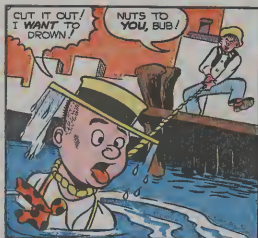
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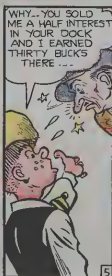
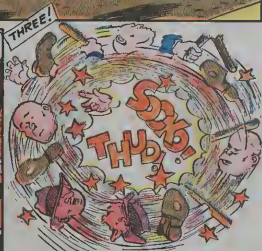
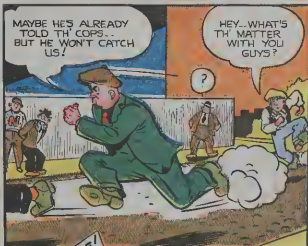
ALTHOUGH HE IS A LITTLE SHORT-SUITED IN THE BRAINS DEPARTMENT, **JOBLESS JOE'S** UNCANNY LUCK KEEPS FINDING WORK FOR HIM... THE TROUBLE IS HE JUST CAN'T SEEM TO **KEEP** A JOB WHEN HE GETS IT!











LOU RABBIT, SUPER BOND-SALESMAN

A Clever Forest Tale by RONALD MARKHAM



W ISE old Oliver Owl had a great idea!

Calling together all the young animals he knew, Oliver announced, "How would one of you young people like to win a prize of \$20?"

"Wow!" shouted little

Lou Rabbit. "Lead us to it!"

"What do we have to do?" asked Cromwell Chipmunk. "What's the prize for?"

"Very simple!" explained old Oliver Owl. "It's in a patriotic cause. I am donating \$20

as a prize to whichever one of you goes out and sells the most war bonds in the next twenty-four hours! Our country will benefit, the people you sell the bonds to will benefit—and you'll benefit! How about it?"

"Swell! When do we start?"

"Right now!" answered Oliver. "On your marks... get set... GO!"

There was a mad scramble to the door, and out sped the contestants. Lou Rabbit and Cromwell, the fastest animals there, went through the door like a pair of frightened comets. The others followed as fast as they possibly could, with little Tubby Turtle bringing up the rear.

They zoomed through the town like a swarm of locusts, and when they finished, there wasn't a house or cottage that hadn't been picked clean of every cent available for the purchase of war bonds and stamps. Even old Miser Monk gave generously, because he knew that

this was a chance for both patriotism and profit—at one and the same time!

The animals gathered once again in Oliver Owl's house, and old Oliver began to count the sales. They sat around patiently and eagerly while he listed each dollar and each pledge, item by item. At last he was through.

"I have a little problem here!" Oliver said with a puzzled smile. "It seems that Lou Rabbit and Cromwell Chipmunk each brought in exactly the same amount, and so are tied for the prize! I can't afford to donate two prizes, but—"

"Wait a minute!" cried Lou Rabbit sud-



denly. He hurried up to old Oliver and whispered in his ear. Oliver's face relaxed. "I am pleased to announce," he said briskly, "that Lou Rabbit wins the \$20 prize! The total number of bond sales made by him has just been increased by the purchase of an additional \$25 bond!"

All the animals crowded around. Like the good sport he was, Cromwell Chipmunk shook Lou's hand heartily. "How did

you manage to sell another bond all of a sudden?" he asked.

"That's easy!" Lou grinned. "I bought it myself—that is, I made a pledge to buy it, and I'll pay for it with the prize money!"

Cromwell knew he'd been outsmarted, but he only burst out laughing. "The bond only costs \$18.75!" he said. "What are you going to do with the extra \$1.25?"

"That's easy, too!" Lou answered. "I'm going to buy war stamps with it—and start saving for another bond!"

LITTLE LOU'S BRAIN WON OUT—AND HELPED HIS COUNTRY!

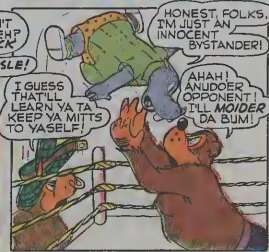
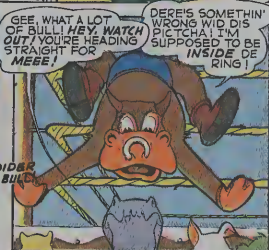
HEFTY

LEARNS the ROPES

BY
Pam Golden

WRESTLING TODAY
SLUGGER McMURDER
HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP
WILL DEMOLISH A PICKED OPPONENT!

AM I LUCKY! I JUST
HAVE THE PRICE OF
ADMISSION--BOY, IS
THIS GONNA BE FUN!



THERE MUST BE SOME MISTAKE! COULDN'T WE JUST TALK THIS OVER?

I'LL SAY YA MADE A MISTAKE, BUDDY! I'LL **PULVERIZE** YA!



UGH! HEY, GET OFF ME! GOSH, IF I GET OUTTA THIS-IT'LL BE **SOME FEAT!**

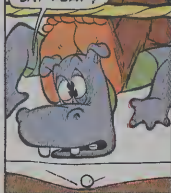
ARE YA READY TA SAY 'UNCLE'?



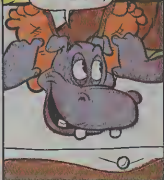
GIVE IT TO 'IM!!

MAKE 'IM **SQUOIM**, **McMOIDER!**

YESSIR, **SOME FEAT!** DID I SAY 'FEAT'?



WELL, I MEANT **FEET!** ITCHY-KITCHY-KOO, **McMOIDER!** ARE YA TICKLISH?



HA, HA, HA-- I'LL KILL YA FOR THIS, YA RAT! HO-HO-HO! I'LL TOIN YA INSIDE OUT! HEE-HEE-HEE, I'LL BEATCHA TO A PULP!



I WISHT I COULD TELL WHO'S WHO!

DA LITTLE GUY IS SURE NOIVY!

DIS IS A MASSACRE!

DAT WUZ SOME WALLOP!

WHADDYA THINK O' **DAT SHRIMPY?**



PLEASE LET ME INTRODUCE MYSELF!

YA WANTED TO PLAY SMART, DIDJAP?

WOULD YOU MIND IF I WENT HOME NOW?

TRYIN' TO TAKE A RUN-OUT POWDER, HUH? COME AND **WRASSLE LIKE A MAN, YA MOUSE!**



GOSH, I FEEL LOWER THAN
A HOLE IN THE GROUND!
HOW'M I GONNA GET OUT
OF HERE?--HEY!



COULDN'T WE STRAIGHTEN
THIS MATTER OUT SOMEHOW?

I'M GONNA STRAIGHTEN
YOU OUT RIGHT NOW!



WELL, WHADDYA KNOW?
RUBBER ROPES!

I'LL HANG YA ON
'EM, YA WART!



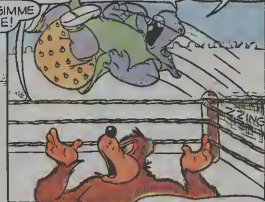
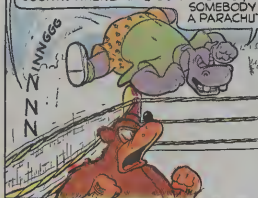
C'MON DOWN AND FIGHT!
YOU AIN' NO SPITFIRE!

I FEEL LIKE A BLOOMIN'
ACROBAT!-YA COMIN'
DOWN TO WRASSLE, HIPPO?

OH, DEAR!
I'M ALL UP
IN THE AIR!

OOOHH! WHERE AM I GONNA LAND?

SOMEBODY GIMME
A PARACHUTE!



TROW IN DE
TOWEL!

I KNEW I SHOULD HAVE
MADE OUT MY WILL! MY
HEAD'S GOING 'ROUND
AND 'ROUND AND 'ROUND!

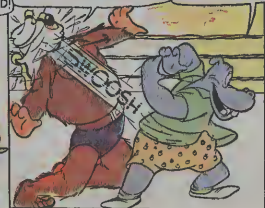
GOWAN, GIVE 'IM
DE TOWEL!

WHY DON'TCHA
GO HOME?



YOU'RE GONNA
SUFFER FER DIS, RUNT!
I'LL RIP YA TA SHREDS!

THANKS A LOT FOR
THE TOWEL, SIR!
I WAS CERTAINLY
WRINGING WET!

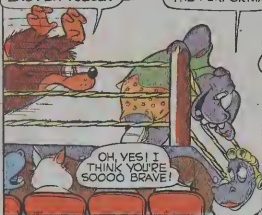


YOU'RE GONNA WISH YA HAD
STOOD IN BED! *DIS IS DE
END FER YOUSE!*

C-C-COULD I
MEET YOU AFTER
THE PERFORMANCE?

MY NAME IS
HEFTY! WHAT'S
YOURS?

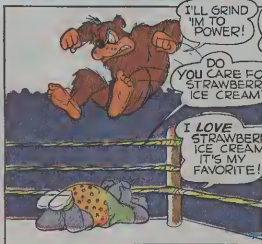
IT'S A FRAME-UP,
THAT'S WHAT IT IS!
I'LL KILL 'IM!



OH, YES! I
THINK YOU'RE
SOOOO BRAVE!



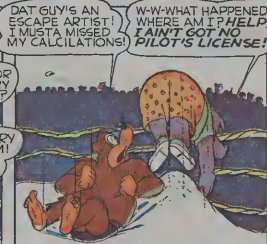
MY NAME
IS HANNAH!
OOOH, YOU'RE
SOOOO
WONDERFUL!



I'LL GRIND
'IM TO
POWER!

DO
YOU CARE FOR
STRAWBERRY
ICE CREAM?

I LOVE
STRAWBERRY
ICE CREAM!
IT'S MY
FAVORITE!



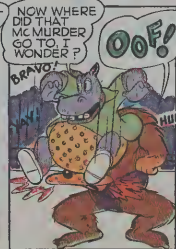
DAT GUY'S AN
ESCAPE ARTIST!
I MUSTA MISSED
MY CALCULATIONS!

W-W-WHAT HAPPENED?
WHERE AM I? *HELP!*
*I AIN'T GOT NO
PILOT'S LICENSE!*



CALLING H FOR HANNAH--
H FOR HANNAH--- *COME
AND GET ME DOWN!*

YA
YELLA RAT!
COME DOWN!



NOW WHERE
DID THAT
MCMURDER
GO TO, I
WONDER?

OOF!

BRAVO!

HURRAH!

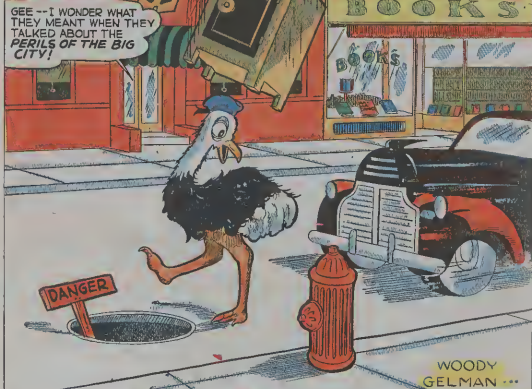


WHERE DO YOU FOLKS
SUPPOSE MCMURDER
WENT?

THE
WINNAH

Boopy OSTRICH

GEE -- I WONDER WHAT THEY MEANT WHEN THEY TALKED ABOUT THE PERILS OF THE BIG CITY!



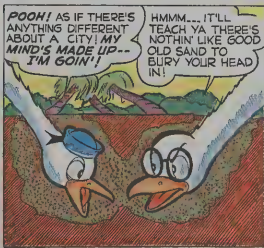
I WANNA GO TO THE BIG CITY! HOW'S ABOUT IT, POP -- HUH?

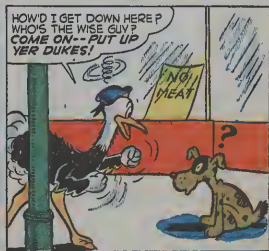
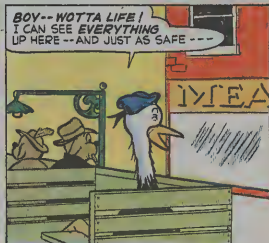
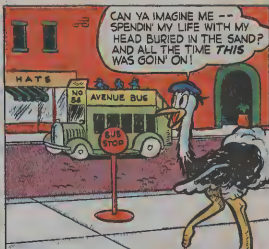
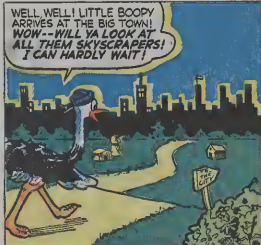
NOTHIN' DOIN', BOOPY! IT'S NO PLACE FOR A YOUNG OSTRICH!

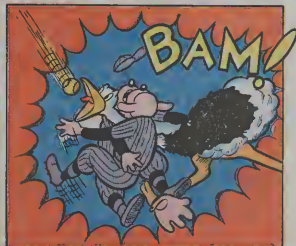
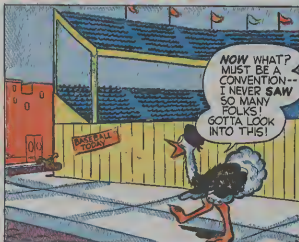


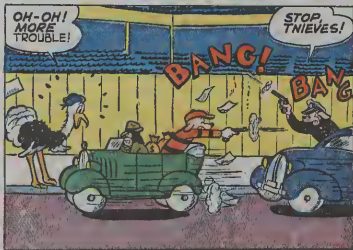
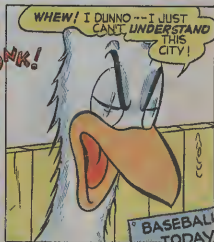
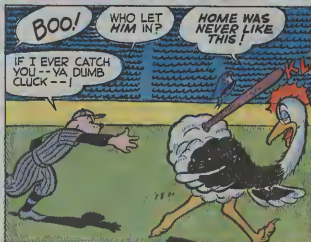
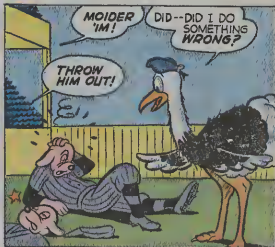
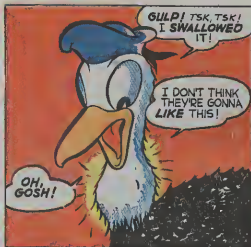
POOH! AS IF THERE'S ANYTHING DIFFERENT ABOUT A CITY! MY MIND'S MADE UP -- I'M GOIN'!

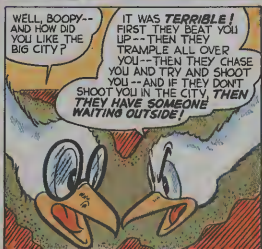
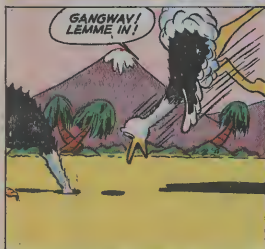
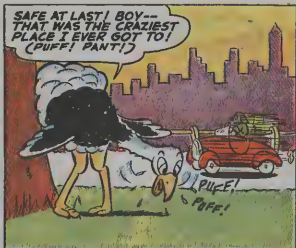
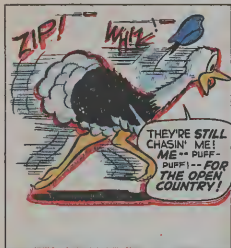
HMMM.... IT'LL TEACH YA THERE'S NOTHIN' LIKE GOOD OLD SAND TO BURY YOUR HEAD IN!

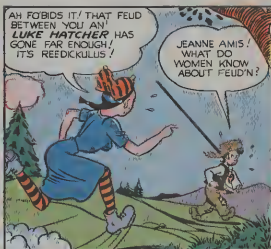












SHOOTING STAR HAS A FALL

AN ANIMAL STORY WITH A MORAL by GLEN LLOYD



"Did you hear the news?" asked Harvie, the colt. "Shooting Star is coming here to rest up for his next big race!"

Old Harry, the retired truckhorse, gasped. "Not the horse who won all the big prizes last year? I wonder what kind of a fellow he is!"

Old Harry found out soon enough. The moment Shooting Star trotted onto the pasture, it was clear he considered himself in a class apart from the other horses. Sniffing disdainfully, he announced grandly, "I'm the fastest horse in the world!"

Some of the swift younger horses weren't exactly pleased. Flying Fox, the roan, who had always been able to outspeed any of the other animals—but who never boasted about it—tried to hring the racehorse down a peg or two.

"Oh, you're not such a much!" Flying Fox snorted. "You remember Man O' War, don't you? Well, you haven't once equalled the speed records he used to set!"

"That may be!" Shooting Star answered angrily. "But I know one thing—I can beat the fastest horse here by five lengths!"

Flying Fox took him up on it at once. "All right—I'll race you!"

Well, it was as thrilling a race as any put on by the regular racetracks! Flying Fox put everything he had into it, and for a long while they were neck and neck. But then, coming

down the home stretch, Shooting Star showed a tremendous burst of speed, and crossed the finish line six lengths ahead!

There'd be no living with Shooting Star after this—they all knew that. He would lord it over every one of them.

Old Harry, the truck horse, took it on himself to try to remedy the situation. He went up to Shooting Star. "Nice race!" Old Harry said. "Now I suppose you think you can beat any of us, under any conditions at all!"

Shooting Star looked down at him. "What do you think, old plug?"

"I think I could beat you, under certain conditions! Are you willing to race me, the way I want to race?"

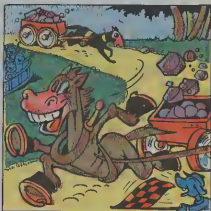
Shooting Star whinnied nastily. "My time is valuable—but I'll do it!"

He was in for a nasty shock. When race time came, and he saw what he was up against, he almost refused to run altogether. But he wouldn't back out, and in a moment they were off!

You may not believe it, but Old Harry won by ten

lengths! That's because they were both in harness, each pulling a heavy wagon laden with five hundred pounds of rocks! And Old Harry was a retired truck horse.

After the race, Old Harry quietly told Shooting Star, "I hope you've learned a lesson. Everybody has *something* he can do a little better than the next fellow! So it just doesn't pay to put on airs about your own specialty—because that other fellow can probably run rings around you in *his*!"



CAN AN OLD PLUG BEAT A RACEHORSE? YOU BET HE CAN!

BANGO BEAR

ANY RESEMBLANCE
BETWEEN HIM AND ME
AIN'T A COINCIDENCE,
FOLKS!



BEN
SOLOMON

IT SAYS HERE "HATCHET-PUSS,
MEET ME UNDER THE DEAD
OAK AT MIDNIGHT! WE'LL
SPLIT EVEN!"--SIGNED
SQUINT-EYE!

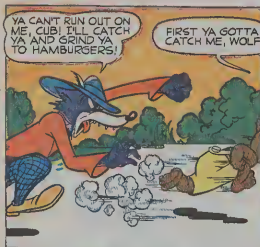
THIS DON'T LOOK
LIKE A TEA PARTY!
I'M GONNA TELL
THE COPS!

PLEASE, SQUINT-EYE,
LEMMIE DOWN! I
AIN'T USED TO
GREAT HEIGHTS!--
LEMMIE GO!

I'M GONNA
MAKE CUTLETS
OUTTA YOU,
SNOOPER!
YOU'RE TOO
NOSEY!

AAAA-OOOOCH!
WHY, YA LITTLE---

UGH, WHAT A
TASTE! I'LL TAKE
SPINACH!





NO, SIR, HE WENT THIS WAY!

I GUESS HE MUSTA GONE THIS WAY!



HE DOESN'T KNOW WHETHER I'M COMING OR GOING!

I'LL SNEAK UP ON THAT SNEAK AND SNAFFLE 'IM!



SO YA SEE, YA GOTTA HELP ME, DOC! IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE AN' DEATH!

VERY WELL, MY SON! I SHALL DO MY UTMOST ON YOUR BEHALF!



HEY, SPORT! SEEN ANYTHING OF A LITTLE PUNK RUNNING THROUGH HERE?

WHY, NO, I HAVEN'T! THE SCENERY HAS BEEN QUITE BEAR RECENTLY!



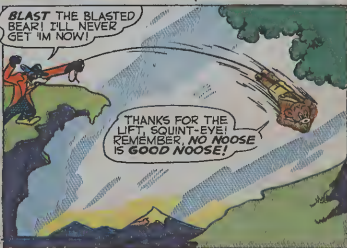
GEE, THANKS A MILLION, DOC! YOU WERE SWELL!

THAT'S ALRIGHT, M'BOY! THERE'S NEVER A COVER CHARGE AT JOE'S!



HERE'S SOME BAD NOOSE FOR YA, NOOSANCE! I'LL STOP YER WAGGING TONGUE!

WOW! I'M AT MY ROPE'S END! ROPE'S END! I HAVE IT!



BLAST THE BLASTED BEAR! I'LL NEVER GET 'IM NOW!

THANKS FOR THE LIFT, SQUINT-EYE! REMEMBER, NO NOOSE IS GOOD NOOSE!

BUT A FEW MOMENTS LATER...



O.K., BUB,
WE'RE
WITH
YA!

YEAH, KID,
LET'S
GO!

SO YA SEE (PUFF
PUFF) YA BETTER
COME NOW! IT'S
ALMOST MIDNIGHT!

MY, WHAT A
CRANKY CRANK!
I'LL NEVER
GET IT
STARTED!



MAYBE WE'D BETTER
HELP HIM, JUPITER!

I DON'T THINK SO,
NERO! THREE'S A
CROWD!



HEY, WHAT
HAPPENED?
WHO PUSHED
ME?

EUREKA!
WE'RE OFF!



TIME IS
MARCHING ON!

YEAH, BUT
WE AIN'T!

WAIT A SECOND,
I'VE GOT AN IDEA!
GIVE ME YOUR
SHIRTS---



GOLLY, I HOPE
WE'RE NOT TOO LATE!

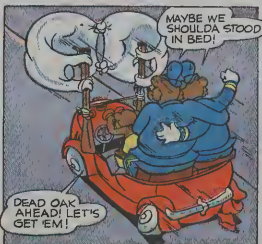
WATER WINGS!
ANCHORS AWEIGH, MY
BOYS, ANCHORS AWEIGH--



I'M ALMOST READY NOW,
BOYS! PRAY FOR A
GOOD BREEZE!

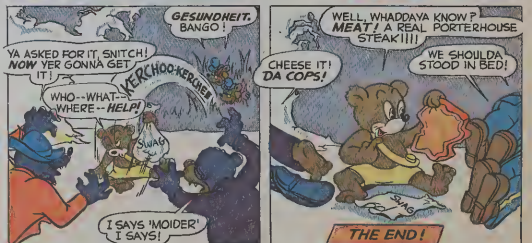
NERO, I'M
POOPED OUT!

JUPITER, I'M
EXHAUSTED!



MAYBE WE
SHOULDA STOOD
IN BED!

DEAD OAK
AHEAD! LET'S
GET 'EM!



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